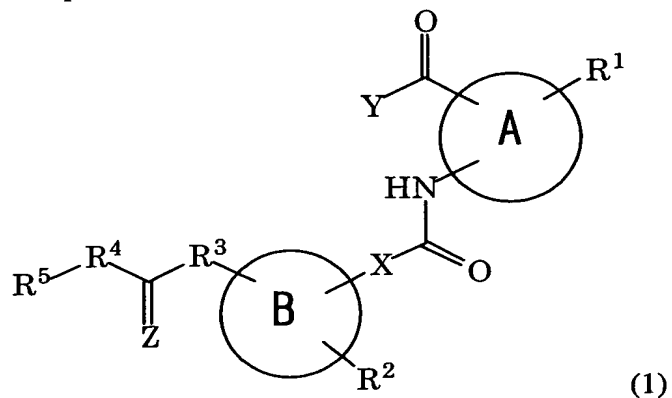


ABSTRACT

This invention relates to a diarylamide derivative represented by formula (1) or a salt thereof and a pharmaceutical composition comprising, as an active ingredient, the compound:



wherein,

A and B denote an aromatic ring such as a benzene ring; COY and NHCOX are adjacent to each other and these substituents are linked to carbon in the aromatic ring A; X denotes alkylene, alkyleneoxy, or a single bond; Y denotes an alkyl, alkoxy, hydroxyl, or substituted or unsubstituted amino group; R¹ denotes hydrogen, halogen, hydroxyl, alkyl or the like, provided that, when A denotes a benzene ring, R¹ does not denote hydrogen; R² denotes hydrogen, halogen, hydroxyl, alkyl or the like; R³ and R⁴ denote a substituted or unsubstituted imino group, an oxygen atom, or a single bond; R⁵ denotes alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted phenyl or the like; and Z denotes oxygen or sulfur.